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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7184

BILL NUMBER: SB 363

NOTE PREPARED: Feb 12, 2004

BILL AMENDED: Jan 29, 2004

SUBJECT: Council for People with Disabilities.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Jackman

FIRST SPONSOR: Rep. Bardon

BILL STATUS: CR Adopted - 2nd House

FUNDS AFFECTED: GENERAL

DEDICATED

X FEDERAL

IMPACT: No Fiscal Impact

Summary of Legislation: This bill creates the Governor's Council for People with Disabilities and the board of directors of the Council to implement the federal Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights act. (The Council and board of directors are currently created by executive order.)

Effective Date: July 1, 2004.

Explanation of State Expenditures: (Revised) This bill would establish the 20-member Governor's Council for People with Disabilities consisting of 3 state employees and 17 lay members. The Council is established to: (1) implement the federal Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act; (2) implement the policies established by the board; and (3) receive grants from: (a) the federal government, (b) philanthropic foundations; and (c) private sources.

The Council shall hire an Executive Director and sufficient staff to carry out the duties of the Council. The federal government would be responsible for paying the expenses of the Council with money from the aforementioned Act. Members of the Council are entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties, as provided in the state policies and procedures established by the Indiana Department of Administration and approved by the State Budget Agency. Members who are not state employees are also entitled to the minimum salary per diem.

Established in the 1970s, the Indiana Governor's Planning Council is currently an independent state agency. The Council's mission is to promote public policy which leads to the independence, productivity, and inclusion of people with disabilities in all aspects of society. The requirements of this bill would reduce the number of members receiving salaries and the overall costs associated with attending meetings. The Council would realize a cost savings as a result. As was mentioned above, the Council is fully federally funded, thus,

there is no impact on the state General Fund.

Background Information: Originally passed in 1963, the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of 2000 was most recently reauthorized in 2000.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: Department of Education; Family and Social Services Administration; Department of Health.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: Suellen Jackson-Boner, Governor's Planning Council for People with Disabilities, 232-7770; Indiana Governor's Planning Council for People with Disabilities website, <http://www.in.gov/gpcpd/about/>.

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